

FLORIST

General Statement of Duties: Performs skilled work in the propagation and care of flowers and plants and grounds; does related work as required.

Distinguishing Features of the Class: This is a skilled position in the raising of flowers and shrubs used by the City. An employee in this class is responsible for the culture and care of shrubbery, plants, and flowers located on public property. Work is performed with considerable independence with employee supervising the activities of laborers assigned to the program.

Examples of Work: (Illustrative only)

- Propagates plants by cuttings, seeding, budding, grafting, and air layering;
- Supervises the laying out and planting of flower beds in parks; cultivates and sprays shrubs;
- Maintains and cares for greenhouse equipment;
- Checks temperature, ventilation and humidity of greenhouse and the moistness of potted plants;
- Maintains inventory of tools, equipment, and supplies;
- Supervises and trains employees to assist in the maintenance of grounds and flowers and in the operation of the greenhouse.

Required Knowledge, Skills and Abilities: Good knowledge of the methods and equipment used in the propagation of flowers, plants, shrubs, and trees in a nursery or greenhouse; good knowledge in the detection and treatment of plant diseases; ability to plan and lay out work for others; ability to design colorful flower and shrub displays; good physical condition.

Acceptable Experience and Training: Any combination of education and training which provides the necessary knowledge, skills and abilities. Must have an Iowa Pesticide Applicator's License and a valid Iowa Driver's License.